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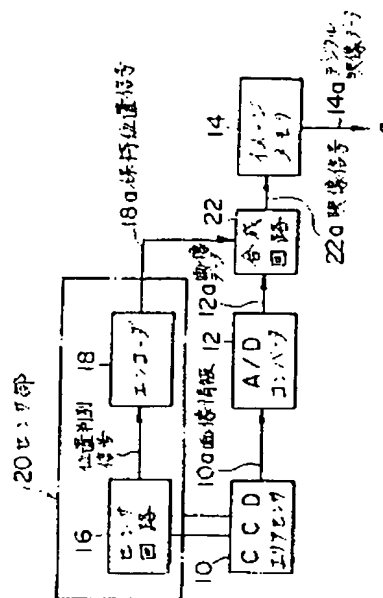
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TITLE : ELECTRONIC STILL CAMERA AND ITS  
DISPLAY DEVICE



ABSTRACT : PURPOSE: To display a picture on a television monitor automatically continuously with an erected picture at all times by detecting the support position of a camera and recording the support location information onto a recording medium together with picture information.

CONSTITUTION: The electronic still camera is provided with a sensor section 20 comprising a sensor circuit 16 and an encoder 18 and a synthesis circuit 22. The sensor circuit 16 detects a position of a photographer supporting the camera at pickup and converts it into a position discrimination signal, and the encoder 18 converts the signal into a digital support position signal 18a and it is outputted to the synthesis circuit 22. On the other hand, picture information 10a obtained from a CCD area sensor 10 is converted into a digital picture data 12a by an A/D converter 12 and inputted to the synthesis circuit 22 and the holding position signal is superimposed onto the picture data picked up at that time and outputted as a video signal 22 and recorded in an image memory 14. When the picture information of a longitudinal screen is displayed, the picture is rotated to be an erected picture on the monitor. Thus, the longitudinal screen recording picture information is displayed as an erected picture automatically and continuously.

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